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FILE:

Office: CALIFORNIA SERVICE CENTER

Date:

IN RE:

Applicant:

PETITION:

Application for Status as a Temporary Resident pursuant to Section 210 of the Immigration

and Nationality Act, as amended, 8 U.S.C. § 1160

ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT:

SELF-REPRESENTED

INSTRUCTIONS:

This is the decision of the Administrative Appeals Office in your case. All documents have been returned to the office that originally decided your case. If your appeal was sustained, or if the matter was remanded for further action, you will be contacted. If your appeal was dismissed, you no longer have a case pending before this office, and you are not entitled to file a motion to reopen or reconsider your case.

Robert P. Wiemann, Director Administrative Appeals Office

Ellan C. Ophinson

DISCUSSION: The application for temporary resident status as a special agricultural worker was denied by the Director, Western Service Center, and is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be rejected.

The applicant appears to be represented. However, the record does not contain a Form G-28 Notice of Appearance as Attorney or Representative. Therefore, this decision will only be provided to the applicant.

The director denied the application because the applicant failed to establish the performance of at least 90 man-days of qualifying agricultural employment during the eligibility period. This decision was based on adverse information relating to the applicant's claim of employment for

Whenever an application for special agricultural worker status is denied or the status of a lawful temporary resident is terminated, the alien shall be given written notice setting forth the specific reasons for the denial on Form I-692, Notice of Denial. Form I-692 shall also contain advice to the applicant that he or she may appeal the decision and that such appeal must be taken within **30 days** following the service of the notification of decision. 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(3)(i). An appeal received after the thirty (30) day period has tolled will not be accepted for processing. 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(3)(iv). Form I-694, Notice of Appeal, shall be used to file the appeal and must be accompanied by the appropriate fee. 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(3)(ii). Whenever a person has the right to or is required to do some act within the prescribed period after the service of a notice upon him and the notice is served by mail, three days shall be added to the prescribed period. Service by mail is complete upon mailing. 8. C.F.R. § 103.5a(b).

The director issued the Notice of Denial on July 17, 1991, and sent it to the applicant's address of record via certified mail. The record contains a certified mail return receipt signed on July 22, 1991, acknowledging receipt of the notice. The appeal was not received until March 11, 1993. The appeal was untimely filed and, therefore, must be rejected.

ORDER: The appeal is rejected.